

MINUTES

UTAH EDUCATION COMMITTEE BOARD OF NURSING

April 25, 2008

**Room 464 – 4th Floor – 7:30 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 7:34 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 8:59 a.m.

Bureau Manager:
Secretary:

Laura Poe
Shirlene Kimball

Conducting:

Diane Forster-Burke

Board Members Present:

Peggy Brown
Diane Forster-Burke
Mary Williams

Board Members Excused:

Pam Rice

Guests:

Shane Wilson, Westminster College
Carolyn Lewis, Utah Career College
Andrea Olson, UCC
Debbie Edmunds, MATC
Linda Petersen, Ameritech College
Katherine Dimmock, Ameritech College
Trent Willey, Stevens Henager College
Maria Merida, Stevens Henager College
Nicole Baxter, WCSN
Maranda Davis, Westminster College
Julie Crossley, Westminster College
David Samsel, Westminster College
Jennifer Acosta, Westminster College
Terri Burdick, Westminster College
Jaclynn Wilkerson, Westminster College
Stacy Knudsuia, Westminster College
Derek Binns, Westminster College
Alan Walton, Westminster College

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

March 28, 2008 Education Committee

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The minutes were approved as written. All Committee

minutes:

members in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Review NCLEX pass rates for Provisionally approved programs:

NCLEX results reviewed. Ameritech RN program results continue to be below the national average.

Review NCLEX pass rates for all programs:

The Utah RN average pass rate on the NCLEX examination was 84.7%. Ms. Poe voiced concerned that this is the second quarter in a row that Utah's pass rates have fallen below the national average.

All PN program NCLEX pass rates were above the national average.

Rules:

Ms. Poe reported the rule Hearing regarding the administration of insulin to students in a school setting has been scheduled for June 6, 2008.

Ms. Poe stated the issue of non nursing masters prepared individual for either didactic or clinical instruction still needs to be resolved for the Education Rules. Dr. Williams stated she has an issue with a non nursing masters prepared individual teaching basic nursing, but doesn't feel it is a problem if it is a support course. If the non nursing masters' is in a related field, that individual would need to have a post master's certificate. Dr. Williams stated she received negative feedback from her presentation regarding the rule changes. Ms. Brown indicated the University of Utah is in support and had no negative comments. Ms. Forster-Burke stated there is support from Westminster College. Ms. Poe reported the Hearing for the Education Rules will probably be held in July.

Carolyn Lewis,
Utah Career College:

Dr. Lewis stated she is pleased with the 89% NCLEX pass rate for this quarter. She indicated candidacy status has been resubmitted and she is waiting to hear back from NLNAC. Dr. Lewis stated the college admitted 22 students in April. She reported there have been no faculty changes since the last meeting. She reported the only change in clinical sites is with the county jail which has limited the program to two students per week. Dr. Lewis reported the college has a new academic dean who appears to be very supportive of the nursing program. Dr. Lewis

indicated the program continues to actively recruit faculty.

Debra Edmunds,
Mountainland:

Ms. Edmunds stated she met with Utah Valley State College and the articulation agreement stands as explained last month. She reported 5 students from each Mountainland cohort will be admitted to the RN program at Utah Valley State College. If more than 5 students want to move on into the RN program they will have to apply to the program. She reported she is exploring options with SLCC, CEU and Weber for her students. She reported there are 50 applicants for 20 slots for the next cohort of students. Ms. Edmunds stated she continues to work on the NLNAC candidacy status application and stated she will provide the Committee with a copy of the report at the next meeting.

Katherine Dimmock,
Linda Petersen
Ameritech College:

Dr. Dimmock reported the program has been working extensively on the curricular changes. Dr. Dimmock indicated they have been writing the objectives, but are not at a point to submit to the Committee. She stated she hopes the objectives and changes will be available within the next two weeks. She reported they feel the course descriptions are good, but the instruction needs more work and objectives need to be more clearly stated for the students. She reported they are looking at the entrance requirements. Dr. Dimmock also reported the faculty members have attended seminars regarding development in test writing and are trying several pilots. She reported one faculty member has resigned. She reported there have been no changes in clinical sites. She stated she has been visiting those sites and the reports from those sites have been positive and that the students have been prepared and professional. She reported for pediatrics, they are looking at clinicals at Ogden Regional, and Payson. She indicated she had thought about contacting the Developmental hospital and look at placing students there. Dr. Williams commended Dr. Dimmock on her strength and direction and it appears they are moving in a good direction. Dr. Dimmock stated the administration has been supportive. She indicated they hope to have the candidacy report in by June. Committee members indicated they would like to see a copy of the report.

Dr. Dimmock stated they hope to transition to the new curriculum in June, or if that is too soon, by the next semester. Ms. Forster-Burke indicated it maybe appropriate to start transitioning in June if they are ready. Dr. Williams made a Motion to have a MOU drawn up to address the NCLEX pass rates and to allow them to use the faculty they have during the transition period. Ms. Brown seconded the Motion. All Committee members in favor.

Trent Willey,
Stevens-Henager College:

Mr. Willey indicated the NLNAC candidacy application was mailed out in April. *Mr. Willey contacted Ms. Poe by e-mail following the meeting and indicated the NLNAC candidacy application had not been mailed and the new administrator wanted to review the document before it is sent to NLNAC. He indicated Traci Hardy will be joining the program on May 9, 2008 as the associate dean. Mr. Willey indicated he will remain on as a help to her. He reported Carol Whitesides has been hired as full time faculty member. Committee members indicated he needs to provide a list of the actual faculty members.

Committee members reviewed the monthly NCLEX pass rates. Mr. Willey indicated they only have four students who still need to test. He reported the next group of 18 students will graduate in September. He reported they have added clinical sites at Wyoming Mental Health, Brigham City Hospital and other ancillary sites.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

June 27, 2008
Date Approved

(ss) Pam Rice, Acting Chair for
Diane Forster-Burke, Chair, Education Committee Board of
Nursing

June 27, 2008
Date Approved

(ss) Laura Poe
Laura Poe, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing